Federal Emergency Management Agency PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Assessment For Posey Township Fire Station, Fire Station Construction Grant American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Posey Township, Clay County, Indiana

Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Posey Township Fire Station construction project.

Interested persons are hereby notified that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)/Department of Homeland Security (DHS) is proposing to provide funding for the construction of a new Fire Station #1 for Posey Township located at the intersection of Adams Street and East Columbus Street in Staunton, Indiana (N 39° 29' 16" and W 87° 11' 03"). This project is to construct a single-story fire station and asphalt paved driveways and parking. In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 and the implementing regulations of FEMA, an EA is being prepared to assess the potential impacts of each of the proposed alternatives on the human and natural environment. This also provides public notice to invite public comments on the proposed project in accordance with Executive Order 11988, Floodplain Management, and Executive Order 11990, Protection of Wetlands. In addition, this notice and the draft EA provide information to the public on potential impacts to historic and cultural resources from the proposed undertaking, as outlined in the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) of 1966.

The draft EA is available for review between April 7, 2010 and May 7, 2010 at the United States Post Office located at 103 E Columbus Street, Staunton, IN 47881. The draft EA is also available for review online at the FEMA website http://www.fema.gov/plan/ehp/envdocuments/ea-region5.shtm.

Written comments regarding this environmental action should be received no later than 5 p.m. on May 7, 2010, by Amanda C. Ratliff, Regional Environmental Officer, FEMA, 536 South Clark Street, 6th Floor, Chicago, IL 60605-1521, or at Amanda.Ratliff@dhs.gov.

If no substantive comments are received by the above deadline, the draft EA and associated Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) will become final and be published by FEMA. Substantive comments will be addressed as appropriate in the final documents.

The public may request a copy of the final environmental documents from Amanda C. Ratliff at the address listed above.